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Attorney Docket No. 7393/71920

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re De MEUTER et al.

Application No.: 09/586,964

Group Art Unit: 1761

Filed: June 5, 2000

Examiner: Leslie A. Wong

Confirmation No.: 6581

Title: SUGAR-FREE HARD COATING PREPARED FROM LIQUID MIXTURES  
OF ERYTHRITOL AND SORBITOL

**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER  
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

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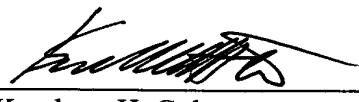
Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Primary Examiner dated January 24, 2005 finally rejecting claims 1, 6, 7, 9, 10, 14, 16, 19, 21, 22 and 24.

- The fee for this Notice of Appeal is \$ 500.00 (37 CFR § 1.17(b)).
- Applicant(s) assert entitlement to Small Entity Status (37 CFR § 1.27), reducing the Appeal Fee by half to \$ 250.00.
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